

American Consulate General, Mumbai, India

DRAFT VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 104/2015

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates

POSITION: Consular Investigations Assistant; BLA-301008; FSN-1430-08

OPENING DATE: March 30, 2015

CLOSING DATE: April 13, 2015

WORK HOURS: Full-time; 40 hours/week

SALARY: Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR) – \$ 45,487 p.a. (starting salary for FP-06 step 1)*

Ordinarily Resident (OR) - Rs. 697,830 p.a. (starting salary for FSN-08 step 1)*

* starting salary will be determined on the basis of qualification and

experience, and/or salary history

ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS (see Appendix A) MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The American Consulate General in Mumbai is seeking an individual for the position of "Consular Investigations Assistant" in the Consular Section's Fraud Prevention Unit.

Applicants must apply on U.S. Mission Application Employment Form and specify the vacancy announcement number. Applications not completed on U.S. Mission Application Employment Form, or without reference to a specific vacancy number will not be accepted. Only completed forms will be accepted (refer to application procedure below).

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION

Mumbai processes one of the largest numbers of both immigrant visas and non-immigrant work visas in the world. In 2014 there were almost 4,000 cases of suspected fraud among those applications. The Fraud Prevention Unit Investigations Assistant supports the daily activities of the Fraud Prevention Unit in the Consular Section, with the primary responsibility of reviewing and investigating visa and citizenship applications to make sure officers have the best possible information upon which to base a decision. The incumbent develops expertise in identifying and reporting fraud through knowledge of local customs and U.S. immigration law. They must effectively interview applicants to elicit information that is material to an adjudication decision in any of the categories of benefits for the non-immigrant (NIV), Immigrant (IV) or American Citizen Services sections. The incumbent must use technology effectively to keep records of fraud assessments, track trends and gain information on cases of potential

fraud. The incumbent also provides training to adjudicating officers in the section regarding fraud prevention and detection techniques. The incumbent must exhibit excellent judgment and strong leadership, management and interpersonal skills due to the high profile nature of India's H and L visa adjudications and the need to communicate effectively with applicants and officers in the ACS, NIV, IV, FPU and AROS-I sections and the Consular Information Unit.

A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available with the Human Resources Office. To request the position description, kindly send an email to MumbaiHRCareer@State.gov.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

- 1. Secondary School (XII).
- 2. Three years' experience in research or investigation, i.e. legal analysis, management consulting, human resources, police or military investigations or other similar work.
- 3. Level IV (Fluency) in English (read, write, speak) and Hindi (read, write, speak). Level IV (Fluency) in Gujarati (read, speak) is required. (When applying for the position, please indicate your level of proficiency for the language.)
- 4. Knowledge of pertinent Indian laws, customs, business structures and industries. Basic research and investigation skills. Knowledge of Microsoft Excel and other Office package equipment. Some knowledge of statistics and metrics keeping. Knowledge of general filing and office procedures.
- 5. Ability to draft reports in clear and precise English. Ability to exercise initiative and exhibit sound judgment and resourcefulness in finding evidence. Must demonstrate tact, patience an ability to work well under pressure and keep pace with several active cases. Ability to develop and maintain an extensive range of outside contacts and sources of information. Ability to stay abreast of all applicable regulations and procedures.

SELECTION PROCESS

When fully qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and U.S. Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

- 1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
- 2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
- 3. Current Ordinarily Resident employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.

- 4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
- 5. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.

TO APPLY

Interested candidates for this position must submit the following for consideration of the application:

- 1. Universal Application for Employment (UAE) as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member (DS-174) is available on our website. Please note: Candidates must answer all the questions in DS-174 application form. http://mumbai.usconsulate.gov/human_resources.html or
- 2. A current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the <u>same information</u> found on the UAE (see Appendix B); **or**
- 3. A combination of both; i.e. Sections 1- 24 of the UAE along with a listing of the applicant's work experience attached as a separate sheet; **plus**
- 4. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application. Candidates who claim conditional U.S. Veterans preference must submit documentation confirming eligibility for a conditional preference in hiring with their application.
- 5. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO

American Consulate General Attention: The Management Officer C-49, "G"-Block Bandra-Kurla Complex Bandra (East) Mumbai 400 051.

POINT OF CONTACT

Human Resources Office Tel: (022) 2672-4000 Extn.: 4471/4797/4354

Fax: (022) 2672-4524

E-mail: MumbaiHRCareer@State.gov

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: April 13, 2015

The U.S. Mission in Mumbai provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.

Drafted By: M/HR - RRajmohan/Skombath

Approved By: CONS – REllis Cleared By: HRO – CAquilla

Appendix A

DEFINITIONS

- 1. <u>Eligible Family Member (EFM)</u>: An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:
 - ➤ Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>);
 - ➤ Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian;
 - ➤ Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
 - ➤ Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.
- 2. <u>U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM)</u>: For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:
 - > U.S. Citizen; and,
 - > EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
 - Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
 - 1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
 - 2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.
- 3. <u>Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM)</u>: EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:
 - Is a U.S. citizen; and
 - ➤ Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>) or a child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
 - ➤ Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126, Foreign Service Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under chief of mission authority; and
 - ➤ Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
 - Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity

- 4. <u>Member of Household (MOH)</u>: An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:
 - ➤ Not an EFM; and,
 - Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
 - ➤ Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

- 4. **Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)**: An individual who:
 - ➤ Is <u>not</u> a citizen of the host country; and,
 - Does not ordinarily reside (*OR*, see below) in the host country; and,
 - ➤ Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
 - ➤ Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

- 5. **Ordinarily Resident (OR):** A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:
 - ➤ Is locally resident; and,
 - ➤ Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
 - > Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

Appendix B

DEFINITIONS

If an applicant is submitting a resume or curriculum vitae, s/he must provide the following information equal to what is found on the UAE.

Failure to do so will result in an incomplete application.

- A. Position Title
- B. Position Grade
- C. Vacancy Announcement Number
- D. Date of Birth
- E. Place of Birth
- F. Dates Available for Work
- G. First, Middle, & Last Names as well as any other names used
- H. Current Address, Day, Evening, and Cell phone numbers
- I. U.S. Citizenship Status (*Yes or No*) & status of permanent U.S. Resident (Yes or No; if yes, provide number)
- J. U.S. Social Security Number and/or Identification Number
- K. Eligibility to work in the country (Yes or No)
- L. Special Accommodations the Mission needs to provide (Yes or No; if yes, provide explanation)
- M. If applying for position that includes driving a U.S. Government vehicle, Driver's License Class / Type
- N. Days available to work
- O. List any relatives or members of your household that work for the U.S. Government (include their Name, Relationship, & Agency, Position, Location)
- P. U.S. Eligible Family Member and Veterans Hiring Preference
- O. Education
- R. License, Skills, Training, Membership, & Recognition
- S. Language Skills
- T. Work Experience
- **U.** References